GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3125
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2001
PRICES OF COAL AND LIGNITE
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Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the calorific value of Lignite and the grade of coal with which Lignite is equated;

(b) the prices of coal and Lignite, Grade-wise, company- wise;

(c) the reasons of variation in the prices; and

(d) the steps being taken to remove the disparity?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) The gross calorific value of lignite ranges between 2600-2800 kilocalories/Kgs. Lignite cannot be equated even with lower grades of non-coking coal in terms of calorific value due to its high moisture content and much lower fixed carbon content.

(b) The prices of coal as fixed by Coal India Limitedand Singareni Collieries Company Limited are given in the Annexure. The net price (Ex-Plant Neyveli) of Lignite fixed by Neyveli Lignite Corporation Limited is Rs.900.64 per tonne.

(c) Various prices of coal and lignite are fixed by the respective companies based on their cost of production, market conditions and commercial considerations.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

ANNEXURE Referred to in Reply to Part (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.3125 for answer on 10.12.2001

Prices of various grades of coal revised by Coal India Limited (CIL) and its subsidiaries since revised on 1.2.2001 are as follows :

PRICES OF RUN OF MINE (ROM) COAL W.E.F. 1.2.2001.

NON-COKING COAL (RS. PERTONNE)

GR	WCL		SECL		CCL		BCCL		NCL		MCL	
	LF	NLF	IN CERTAIN SPECIFIED MINES	LF	NLF	LF	NLF	LF	NLF	LF	NLF	LF	NLF
A	1083	1017	1100	999	934	1177	1100	1121	1047	1147	1072	979	912
B	1022	956	1034	939	872	1065	989	1014	942	1039	964	885	819
C	955	890	862	784	717	890	813	847	774	867	792	740	674
D	902	835	736	669	600	758	680	722	648	740	664	633	566
E		708			497		539		514		527		445
F		590			396		431		410		420		351
G		445			283		308		294		300		250

NOTE :

1. WCL : Western Coalfields Limited

2. SECL : South Eastern Coalfields Limited

3. CCL : Central Coalfields Limited

4. BCCL : Bharat Coking Coal Limited

5. NCL : Northern Coalfields Limited
6. MCL : Mahanadi Coalfields Limited

7 GR : Grade of Coal

8. LF : Long Flame

9. NLF : Non-Long Flame

The above list is only for Run of Mine (ROM) Coal. Separate rates exist for Steam, Rubble and Slack.

PRICE OF ROM COAL FOR EASTERN COALFIELDS LIMITED (ECL) WITH EFFECT FROM 1.2.2001

NON-COKING COAL

(RS. PER TONNE)

GR	RATES IN CERTAIN SPECIFIED SP MINES		RATES IN CERTAIN SPECIFIED SP MINES IN RANIGANJ		SP MINES AND MUGMA	RAJ-MAHAL PROJECT		SALANPUR		COAL PRODUCED IN OTHER COLLIERIES OF RANIGANJ	
	LF	NLF	LF	NLF	NLF	LF	NLF	LF	NLF	LF	NLF
A	1319		1388		1199	1120		1177		1263	1184
B	1192		1312		1085	1007		1059		1192	1115
C	996		1118		905	828		870		1018	939
D	810		905		735	660	915	694		824	748
E						524		703	524		524
F						417		597	417		417
G						298		479	298		298

NORTH EASTERN COALFIELDS (Rs. Per Tonne)

ASSAM COAL	GRADE OF COAL AND UHV RANGE (K. CAL. KG.)	RUN OF MINES
A	6200 - 6299	998
B	5600 - 6199	741

NOTE :

1. In grade A, for every additional universal heat value (UHV) of 100 kilo calories per kg. exceeding 6299 kilo calories per kg., additional Rs.65 per m.t. is added to the price of a grade.

2. For UHV exceeding 7099 kilo calories per kg., the price of coal is Rs.1836 per m.t. for run of mine (ROM) coal.

SINGARENI COLLIERIES COMPANY LIMITED (Rs. Per Tonne)

GRADE	STEAM COAL	SLACK COAL	ROM COAL	CRUSHED RUN OF MINE COAL
Grade B	1224.00	1174.00	1164.00	1209.00
Grade C	1107.00	1057.00	1047.00	1092.00
Grade D	987.00	937.00	927.00	972.00
Grade E	761.00	747.00	741.00	786.00
Grade F	638.00	624.00	618.00	663.00
Grade G	485.00	471.00	465.00	510.00

PRICE OF COAL (ROM) WITH EFFECT FROM 1.2.2001.

COKING COAL (Rs. Per Tonne)

GRADE	BCCL		ECL	MUGMA CCL	SECL	WCL	SUBSIDIARIES OTHER THAN BCCL, ECL & CCL		
	RATES IN CERTAIN SPECIFIED MINES	OTHER THAN SPECIFIED MINES							
STEEL GRADE I	1914		1695						
STEEL GRADE II	1598		1416						
WASHERY GR - I	1385		1227		1312	1287	1096	1075	
WASHERY GR-II	1147		1016		1087	1067	907	890	
WASHERY GR-III	848		751		803	789	671	803	
WASHERY GR-IV	789		699		747	734	625	659	
SEMI COKING GRADE - I	1335		1183		RANIGANJ 1360	1241			1096
SEMI COKING GRADE - II	1106		979		RANIGANJ 1126	1027			907
DIRECT FEED COKING COAL IN CERTAIN SPECIFIED MINES.	1899		(ASH EXCEEDING 20% BUT NOT EXCEEDING 21%)						